

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The Government should also see why so many boys are not allowed to sit for the examination.

President.—Is there any complaint that they were not allowed by the Manager to sit for the examination? How are we to go into this case? Are we to conceive of hypothetical complaints and then investigate?

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Here we have got the figures.

Mr. C. Matthai.—We are bound to place facts before the Members, but I strongly object to any unwarranted insinuation based on those facts.

President.—Before you make any personal reflection, or point out irregularities in connection with the administration of any department, you must see that you are sure of the facts.

Grant to aided schools without the prescribed strength.

36. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether there were instances in which aided schools received grants to which they were not entitled by reason of their strength being below the required minimum in the past 3 years, and if so, how many such cases were detected by the department with a list of such schools, and how the cases were disposed of?

Mr. C. Matthai.—There was only one such instance (vide answer to question No. 98 of the last budget session).

Complaints against the Head-master, Narakkal Girls' School.

37. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether any petitions were received during the year 1101 by the Director of Public Instruction or the Inspectress of Girls' Schools alleging certain charges against the Head-master of the Narakkal Girls' School?

(2) If any petitions were received, will the Government be pleased to state whether any enquiry was made; if so, by whom, and the nature of the enquiry?

Mr. C. Matthai.—Yes.

(2) An enquiry was conducted by the Inspectress of Schools, and it was found that there was little foundation for the allegations against the Head-master. The Inspectress, however, recommended that he may be transferred elsewhere, and he was, therefore, transferred to Kadamakkudi School.

38. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the President of the Narakkal Panchayat wrote to the Inspectress of Girls' Schools on